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TAGS: PFOR, AF, US

SUBJECT: PROPOSED NAIM VISIT TO UNITED STATES

REF: KABUL 6877

1. THE SECRETARY HAS APPROVED THE PROPOSED VISIT BY
DAOUD'S BROTHER MOHAMMAD NAIM TO THE UNITED STATES. PLEASE
PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO NAIM AND RE-
PORT LATTER'S REACTION.

2. QUOTE: DEAR MR. NAIM:

I VERY MUCH ENJOYED THE OPPORTUNITY OF MEETING WITH DEPUTY
FOREIGN MINISTER ABDULLAH IN NEW YORK THIS AUTUMN. THE
OCCASION ALLOWED US TO CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN OUR
TWO GOVERNMENTS INITIATED DURING MY VISIT TO KABUL. IT
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ALSO RAISED MEMORIES OF THE GENEROUS RECEPTION ACCORDED TO

ME IN KABUL AND OF THE WARM SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING WHICH MARKED MY DISCUSSION WITH PRESIDENT DAOUD AND YOURSELF.

AS YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES DURING THE COMING MONTHS SO THAT WE MIGHT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW OUR ACQUAINTANCE AND

CONTINUE OUR DISCUSSIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO COME, I KNOW THAT PRESIDENT FORD AND SENIOR MEMBERS OF OUR GOVERNMENT WOULD WANT TO MEET WITH YOU DURING YOUR STAY.

PLEASE CONVEY TO PRESIDENT DAOUD MY BEST WISHES. BEST REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER. END QUOTE.

3. FYI. WHILE NAIM IS INVITED AS THE SECRETARY'S GUEST, HIS EXPENSES IN WASHINGTON WILL BE PAID FROM KABUL'S IVP BUDGET. THE GOA WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL PORTION OF THE TRIP AND FOR ANY OTHER STOPS HE MIGHT MAKE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES. TOTAL COST OF THE WASHINGTON VISIT SHOULD NOT EXCEED DOLS 3500 AS LONG AS NAIM BRINGS NO MORE THAN TWO AIDES AND DOES NOT REMAIN LONGER THAN THREE FULL DAYS.

4. IF VISIT DOES TAKE PLACE, ASSUME EMBASSY WILL ISSUE NAIM STANDARD DIPLOMATIC VISA AND THERE APPEARS TO BE NO REASON FOR HIM TO BECOME AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THIS VISIT IS BEING FUNDED FROM IVP BUDGET.

5. SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE STILL FLUID AND SPECIFIC DATES WILL HAVE TO BE DETERMINED CLOSER TO EVENT. AT PRESENT, LATE SPRING OR SUMMER APPEAR TO BE BEST PERIOD FOR NAIM VISIT. ASSUMING HE RESPONDS FAVORABLY TO ABOVE MESSAGE, YOU SHOULD EXPLORE HIS PREFERENCES ON TIMING, WITHOUT MAKING ANY COMMITMENTS.

6. IN ADDITION TO MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY, WE ANTICIPATE SCHEDULING CALLS ON SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, ADMINISTRATOR PARKER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON, AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

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7. FURTHER DETAILS WILL FOLLOW WHEN SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE FIRM. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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